Industrial Partnerships

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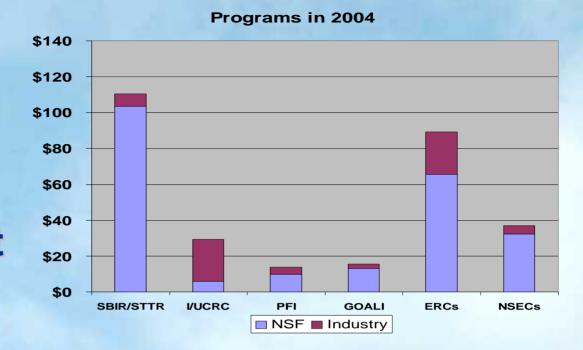


November Engineering Ad Com Recommendation

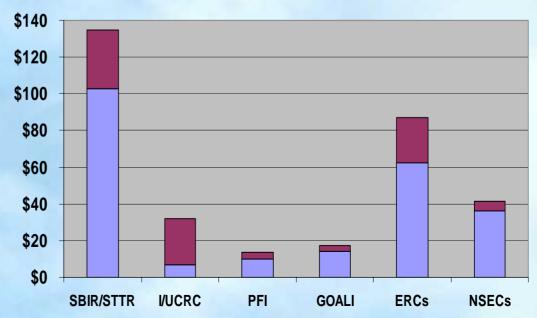
- ".. that NSF/ENG pursue the idea of convening a group of industry thought leaders to look at ways to leverage industry funding/participation in research."
- The essence of the recommendation and discussion with Dr. Bement:
 - Can ENG break some of the paradigms as to how matching funds are made?
 - Would NSF be supportive of a workshop or meeting with industrial thought leaders across the country to look at ways to collaborate and match government funding for research?
 - Dr. Bement encouraged this idea indicating ENG is at the front line for innovation and growing the economy.
 - He also encouraged the group to bring in state and local governments. Innovations ought to start at the state and local level.
 - NSF is focused on development of new concepts through frontier research and integrating education and research.



Industry Investment in ENG Based Programs and NSF Centers



Programs in 2005

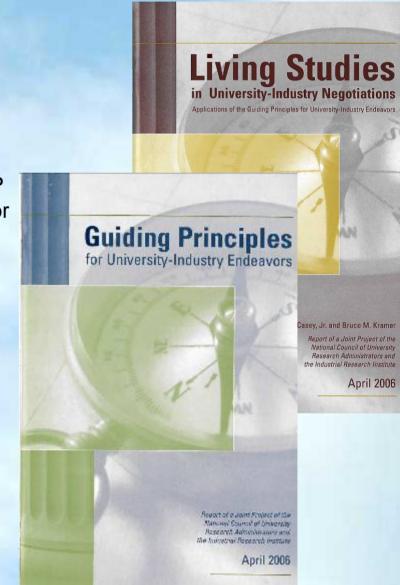




Re-Engineering the Partnership: Summit of the University-Industry Congress

http://www7.nationalacademies.org/guirr/U_I_Summit_Agenda.pdf

- When and by Whom
 - April 25, 2006, at the National Academies,
 - National Council of University Research Administrators and Industrial Research Institute.
 - Top level involvement by: Jared Cohon,
 CMU President & Stan Williams, Senior HP
 Fellow and Bob Killoren, PSU Assoc. VP for
 Research; & Susan Butts, Dir. of External
 Technology for Dow.
- The "Guiding Principles for University-Industry Endeavors"
 - "... should support the mission of each partner. . . "
 - "... focus on fostering long term partnerships ..."
 - "... focus on the benefits to each party ... by streamlining negotiations to ensure timely conduct of the research and development of the research findings."





Promoting Partnerships that Support Commercialization

- When and By Whom
 - Appendix to the Draft Report of the Advisory Committee for SBIR/STTR Programs that met January 24-25, 2006.
 - Primary author is OII Ad Com member Albert
 Johnson of Corning
- What
 - Extensive discussion on ways to promote industryuniversity partnerships.
 - Policy documents that bear on this matter include the Bayh-Dole Act, and IRS procedure 97-14.



Universities and Businesses Partnering for the Knowledge Society

- When and by Whom
 - Fifth Glion Colloquium held in Switzerland, June 2005.
 - Edited by Luc E. Weber and James J. Duderstadt, with contributions by 30 leaders in academe and industry in the US and EU.
- From the preface:
 - Consensus and differences in in perspective of participants from Europe and the US.
 - Emergence of a global, knowledgedriven economy has created an even greater dependence of society, business and industry on research universities for advanced education, R&D, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Universities and Business: Partnering for the Knowledge Society

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Advisory Committee Discussion

- In light of this recent activity, should the ENG Ad Com establish a working group to review and provide advice on actions?
- Are there ongoing activities we should engage in to respond to the ENG Ad Com recommendation?
- By engaging industrial thought leaders, could this be an opportunity to advance broader ENG goals, e.g., Overarching Engineering Innovation Goal or Public Understanding of Engineering Goal?

